DECLARATION AND POWER OF ATTORNEY FOR PATENT APPLICATION

As the below named inventors, we hereby declare that:

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We believe that we are the original and first inventors of the subject matter, which is claimed and for which a patent is sought on the invention entitled:

DRILL STRING SHUTOFF VALVE

We hereby claim the benefit under Title 35, United States Code, §119(e) of any United States provisional application(s) listed below:

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We hereby state that we have reviewed and understand the contents of the above-identified specification, including the claims, as amended by any amendment referred to above.

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